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REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1), of pending prior application serial no. 09/302,626 filed on April 30, 1999, of Scarlato et al. for MENINGOCOCCAL ANTIGENS.

1. X Enclosed is an application filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1). No new matter has been added.

2. X The filing fee is calculated below:

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| A. | Basic Application Fee | | \$750 |
| B. | Total Claims 25 - 20 = 5 | x \$18 | 90 |
| C. | Independent Claims 6 - 3 = 3 | x \$84 | 252 |
| D. | If multiple claims present, add | \$280 | 280 |
| E. | Total Application Fee (Total of A, B, C & D) | = | <u>1372</u> |
| F. | If small entity status is claimed, reduce Total Application Fee by 50% | | <u>0</u> |
| G. | Total Fee Due (E - F) | = | 1372 |

3. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

4. X A check to cover the \$1372 application fee is attached.

5. X Cancel in this application original claims 1 and 15-17 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

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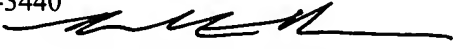
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6. X The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is (are): Vincenzo Scarlato, Vega Masignani, Rino Rappuoli, Mariagrazia Pizza and Guido Grandi.
7. X The prior application is assigned of record to Chiron S.P.A.
8. X A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
9. X A Sequence Listing from the Parent Application is enclosed.
10. X A IDS and PTO Form 1449 with 0 References is Enclosed.
11. X Also enclosed: Copy of Declaration signed by the Inventors from the Parent Application, Blanket Petition for Extension of Time and Authorization to Charge or Credit Deposit Account and Return Postcard.
12. X The power of attorney in the prior application is to Lisa E. Alexander, Reg. No. 41,576, Robert P. Blackburn, Reg. No. 30,447, Steven W. Collier, Reg. No. 42,429, Joseph H. Guth, Reg. No. 31,261, Rebecca M. Hale, Reg. No. 45,680, Alisa A. Harbin, Reg. No. 33,895, Charlene A. Launer, Reg. No. 33,035, Marcella Lillis, Reg. No. 36,583, Young J. Suh, Reg. No. 41, 337, Roberta L. Robins, Reg. No. 33,208 and Dahna S. Pasternak, Reg. No. 41,411.
- a. * The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. X Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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